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In re application of: Kiyoto Takizawa et al.

**Entitled: METHOD FOR MELTING METALLIC RAW MATERIAL IN METAL MOLDING APPARATUS
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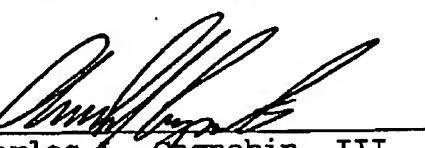
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 16, 2007,
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